

character to lull any anxiety that might have been created in royal and imperial circles, by the open declaration of such Democratic and American intentions on the part of the new administration. The consequence was that ministers were compelled to refuse the protection so clearly pledged in those magnificent and elaborate documents to adopted citizens in their minority.

Cases of peculiar hardship came under my own notice as Consul, of worthy men, in whose political opinions, who, trusting to the promises of Pierce and Merry, had come long journeys, at great and embarrassing expense, only to grind their teeth in useless indignation at finding, too late, the obvious fraud that had been practised upon them.

The revolutionary movements in Europe, and particularly the continued republican agitation in Spain—now nearly two years in motion, and still progressing—must make it important in the South to have under its notice the views of the European democrats on the acquisition of Cuba. I, therefore, present a portion of a letter from the great statesman of France, Ledru Rollin, to myself, upon this subject, dated London, August 1854. After discussing various modes already proposed, he says:—

"Would it not be greater and more legitimate to assist democracy in the mother country herself?"

"Believe me, it is in that noble and official assistance that resides the solution of the problem—a legitimate, honest, incontestable solution—the only one worthy of mighty America."

"By thus serving the general cause of liberty, America will have secured her own cause. For, in the very name of the people proclaimed in the mother country, Cuba, if really in affinity with America, will spontaneously, without possible reclamation, unite to that America to which it is so contiguous, and towards which it is attracted by her youth, her force, and the course of things. By following that large and fertile method, the question is elevated and dignified."

"Who is able to restrain America while she is faithful to democracy on both continents?—she who possesses an exuberance of life and force, who alone in the world holds treasures in reserve which permit her to rush into the chances of a generous struggle without overtaxing her citizens?—she, in a word, who must feel that were democracy once vanquished and enchained perhaps for long in Europe, she herself would become the abode of despots who would attack her with hostile under all winds, her immense commercial relations, her ever new and increasing extension?"

"Let her understand that by helping democratic Spain, she will assist at the same time all democracies, for they are brotherly united, and she will defend herself. Besides, in the midst of her illimitable prosperities, is not her conscience ever troubled at the idea that the patriots who sigh under oppression beyond the Atlantic, are the sons of those who contributed to conquer her own independence?"

"Is the heart of the nation less faithful to memory than the frail canvass? for a picture is still suspended to the walls of the Capitol, commemorative of the battle of Yorktown, in which the fate of the rising nation was decided; and where the American army, commanded by Lafayette, and the French army commanded by Vimeuil, mingled their blood under the fire of the English batteries, for the holy cause of liberty."

"Since nearly 80 years this picture is waiting for its counterpart in history.—Will it at length be given by the good genius of America?"

"I wish it sincerely for her own glory."  
LEDRU ROLLIN.

I append an extract from a letter later of Kossuth's, enlarging on the subject:—

"Now there are republicans in Spain; numerous and resolute republicans; and organized too; whatever your diplomats may tell you; however, they may try to excuse the intolerance of the American government by shutting their eyes to truth, or worse yet, by heaping insult on the reputation of the Spanish democratic party. I know better; I know there is a strong, numerous and resolute republican party in Spain. I know it. Well, to make the revolution republican in issue, nothing in the world was wanted but just the certainty of such 'auxiliary means' as would have enabled the republican party to prevent the other parties in making the initiative their own. The necessity of some small assistance to them was justified by that consideration; that the republicans being most exposed to persecution, because most feared, and several of their chiefs driven to exile, they had of course not the same facilities for action as the other parties had. The leaders of other parties did not want to land, and to bring arms."

"Well, to whom did the republican party look for that assistance? To the American government? To whom for assistance? To the American people. Both of them have been apprized and warned, finely and in a formal manner. Don't tell me, my dear sir, of 'we would not have been justified in making a revolution.' That's all a humbug, sir. I tell you the revolution was making itself; you had but not to ignore studiously her making herself. Besides, had you been so scrupulous about accepting assistance as you seem to be about giving assistance, what would be the United States? And who has made the revolution in Texas? Made, sir, not assisted."

"Had the republican party been assisted in taking the initiative of the revolution into their hands, the very second day of the republican government would have been declaring 'that the United States, of the Iberian Republic, bound faithfully to adhere to the principles of liberty, equality and fraternity, cannot claim the right of keeping, without its free consent, a country in a colonial condition—a country, which from its distance as well as from the extent of its territory and the number of its inhabitants possesses the elements of constituting an independent State. Therefore they call on the Cubans to decide and to declare whether they choose to maintain their colonial relation to Spain; or prefer to constitute an independent State. Well, the Cubans would have probably chosen to be independent, and then would have, of course, at once applied for annexation to Washington."

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Spain would have declared a republic, if our minister could have assured the republicans of the active sympathy and support of the government at Washington.

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FOR PRESIDENT.

**Hon. David R. Atchison,**  
of Missouri.

"Sebastopol is taken!" Read accounts in another column. We are still of the opinion that the European War is of long duration and will eventually be closed with honor and glory to Russia.

A tri-weekly mail coach runs regularly between Atchison and Weston every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday morning. Passengers to, or from Weston should bear this in mind.

Country merchants should bear in mind that they can purchase goods at wholesale of Mr. Stephen Johnson of this city as low as in St. Louis. His stock of groceries cannot be surpassed for either quantity or quality in the upper country.

GUNS FOR KANSAS.—There is said to be an agent in New York procuring funds and guns for the abolition settlers in this Territory. Already thousands of dollars have been subscribed, and stacks of guns purchased.

The Herald of Freedom is informed that we are versed in the Post-Office Laws, and knowing our duty will do it.—When advice from that quarter is called for, it will then be time for Mr. Brown to enlighten us on the subject.

De Bear, a convicted murderer, was recently taken from the authorities in Milwaukee by a mob, and hung by the heels until dead. What an "outrage" had it happened in Kansas.

Ladies bonnets are, it would seem about to disappear altogether, for the 'Magazine Francis' says the new shapes are even smaller than they were late last spring.

L. G. Gatto, of Alhama, has been appointed Justice of the Supreme Court of Kansas, vice Elmoro removed, E. G. Moon having declined.

It is said that there are over three thousand persons in New York City whose only lodging place is the door-step or the coal-box. Such is 'life in a free State'!

If you want to know whether an editor is wicked enough to swear, just steal his exchanges some day, and you'll know all about it.

Nebraska Territory already contains taxable property to the amount of \$649,816, according to the returns of the assessors.

We learn from Sullivan, Illinois, that the town is deserted, there being but one family in the place which has not got the cholera.

A silk factory is about being erected in Albany, N. Y.

The negroes of New York have held a State Convention at Troy. The planks of their platform are: 1st. The elective franchise upon equal terms with the white man. 2d. Eligibility to civil office, and the right to send black children to the public schools. As the law of the State stands, a colored person cannot vote unless he be possessed of two hundred dollars worth of property. Make Kansas a free state, and negroes are placed upon a footing with the whites.

The Steam Ferry Boat at this place is kept constantly employed. She runs with great regularity, and never keeps travelers waiting a moment on the bank of the river. We venture the prediction that a more obliging set of hands are not to be found at any ferry in the Missouri river. Travelers should bear this in mind, and give Atchison the preference as a crossing place.

LECOMPTON.—The sale of lots in the town of Leocompton takes place on the 23d inst. It is only necessary to mention the fact and call attention to the advertisement. Speculators and others wishing to make profitable investments cannot but know that the Capital of Kansas is the place to "pitch in."

DIDN'T SPEAK.—An appointment was out for a free soil meeting to be held in this place on Tuesday last, but the courage of the orators, before that day arrived, had "vanished into the air," and our citizens were greatly disappointed. The hollers, cuffs, tar and tapers prepared for the occasion, may come in play at some future date. When occasion offers they will be used. Let traitors beware!

**Kansas Election.**

The Pro-Slavery Party again triumphed. Reeder and his Abolition Allies are driven before the forces of Pro-Slavery like "chaff before the wind"—Kansas thrice has declared for Slavery!

The Election held on Monday week, though not so fully attended as we would wish, shows a decided majority of the Squatters of Kansas to have been in favor of GEN. WHITFIELD and Pro-Slavery.

There was a misunderstanding of the Election Law, which kept thousands of Pro-Slavery votes from the Polls. The day of the election, by many, not being known, also lessened our vote. Notwithstanding all this, the Pro-Slavery party have achieved a victory that will be hailed with delight by every Union loving man throughout the length and breadth of the country. The South will have more confidence in her Kansas friends, and the North will better understand our wishes and desires. The effect of the late election is already beginning to be felt by the tide of emigrants daily arriving with slave property from the slave holding states.—Let them come, as we promised this victory last summer, so do we now pledge all future Elections, Kansas must, WILL and SHALL be a Slave State!

Below will be found all the authentic returns received. We have reported majorities for the Pro-Slavery ticket in every county in the Territory, but we will wait for accurate returns before we lay them before our readers.

ATCHISON COUNTY—COMPLETE.

Precincts.	Whitfield.	Reeder.
Atchison City,	131	4
Mount Pleasant,	54	23
Grasshopper,	7	0
Total,	192	27

LEAVENWORTH COUNTY.

Precincts.	Whitfield.	Reeder.
Kickapoo,	150	1
Leavenworth,	137	9
Delaware, (Reported) 600 maj.		

Returns from Leavenworth County show about One Thousand majority for Whitfield and the Pro-Slavery Ticket.

**Ex-Governor Reeder.**

This gentleman on to-day consummates his folly by permitting or soliciting his friends, the Abolitionists, to use his name in their farce then to be performed, called the "People's Election for Delegate to Congress." If this does not sink him so low in the estimation of all men of sense in the Union that he will never be heard of more, then there are more fools alive than we have ever imagined.

After having himself certified to the election of a legal Legislature, then to deny the same body as illegal, is so very absurd that we did not for a moment think that even the prince of all the "absurds," would be guilty of it. Does the man think for a moment that there can be found men enough in the next Congress, so lost to every sense of honor, every regard for their solemn oaths, as to admit him to a seat in that body, when there is another there claiming the same seat from the legally constituted Governor of Kansas Territory; to suppose such a thing would be to suppose that the North was ready to force a dissolution of the Union upon the South, for that would be the result, indirectly if not directly. It is not alone that he would be received as a delegate to the exclusion of Gen. Whitfield; but it would be sanction on the part of the Lower House of Congress, of the lawless and revolutionary proceedings of the same set, who on the same day elect members to a convention to form a constitution preparatory to asking admission into the Union as a free State.

Suppose such a thing possible under the circumstances, and disunion, immediate and inevitable would be the result.

Just such a move as this caused Dorr a long imprisonment in the Rhode Island Penitentiary, and if A. H. Reeder had his deserts such would be his fate.

To-day the Nullifiers hold their election for delegate to Congress. Failing to elect Reeder at the late election, they are now marshalling their forces, men, old women and boys, in hopes of giving a larger vote than was given on Monday, Oct. 1st.

We learn from authentic source, says the New York Herald of the 3d inst. that contracts have been made for the introduction this year into the island of Cuba of large numbers of African slaves.—One party alone has contracted for the supply of seven thousand. Portuguese agents are now in New York, making arrangements.

The Portland Advertiser, one of the chief organs of the fusionists in Maine, heads its returns of the election as follows: "Singular freak of the people. The city falls us. Ditto the District. Ditto the rest of the State!"

An extensive bogus gold dust manufactory has been discovered at San Francisco, California.

Senator Douglas, of Illinois, addressed a crowd of several thousand persons in St. Louis, one evening last week.

The Union learns that room rent in Washington is already beginning to rise in anticipation of the approaching long session of Congress.

The buckwheat crop in both New York and Pennsylvania is this year enormous—supposed to be double that of last year.

**Interesting Correspondence.**

The following letter was received from the post master at Atchison, K. T., on the 15th inst. It has never been our fortune, prior to this, to receive a document so highly interesting from a public officer, and we commend it to the consideration of Postmaster-General Campbell, as a communication worthy his attention, and trust he will place it on the file in the Department as a gem of the kind. Mr. Kelley is a partner of B. F. Stringfellow, and associate editor in the publication of the Squatter Sovereign.

Post-Office, Atchison, K. T.,  
September 7, 1855.

MR. G. W. BROWN, Publisher of the Herald of Freedom.—Sir: By this mail I return you five copies of your paper without any inscription thereon. As there is a law now in force in this Territory prohibiting the circulation of incendiary publications, I must respectfully decline giving them a circulation. You will confer a favor by keeping your rotten and corrupt effusions from tainting the pure air of this portion of the Territory.

Two numbers of the Herald of Freedom are taken at this office, and I have distributed them in their respective boxes, and shall continue to do so until I get "legal advice."

Hoping you will comply with my request, I remain your obedient servant,  
ROBERT S. KELLEY,  
P. M., Atchison K. T.

All the papers returned were variously inscribed. On one side of all was written "Sent back from Atchison, K. T." "Refused to be circulated," on another, "Refused to be circulated," and on another, "Necessity may bring me to crime, but while I draw a breath I cannot be induced to lend a hand to a measure I know to be suicidal to the interests of the South. I cannot and WILL NOT circulate this fiend."

We have preserved all the marks of the Postmaster, and added none. To circulate the Herald of Freedom, according to Postmaster Kelley, is "suicidal to the interests of the South." We thank him for his compliment and are truly glad to learn that our humble efforts in publishing a paper is fraught with such consequences as to make an impression upon the institutions of the South if circulated. In view of these facts we ask our friends in the East to aid us with means to "circulate" the Herald. We are honest in the belief that it is doing as much to advance the cause of freedom as any instrumentality now claiming public favor, and as such we appeal to the anti-slavery public for pecuniary encouragement.

But to the Postmaster. We have submitted Mr. Kelley's letter, also the inscription on the wrapper of the returned papers, and the paper itself to the consideration of Postmaster-General Campbell. If he allows his officials to decide what matter is "incendiary," there is an end to the freedom of the press in Kansas if not in America.

We have written a statement of facts to Mr. Campbell, and preserved a copy for publication, which we shall give to the public as soon as we get his reply. The question is an important one to the Press, and as such we shall expect them to speak freely upon the subject.

The papers having no "inscription" upon them were tied up in a bundle, and directed to a subscriber at Atchison who had ordered six copies for that week. On the outside copy the subscriber's name and post office address was legibly written.—Herald of Freedom.

We are not generally in the habit of noticing the vile productions of every traitor, and nondescript, who happens to take exceptions to our course, and would not in this instance depart from an established rule, had not the article above quoted contained several wilful and malicious lies, calculated to place us in a false position before the public. It is stated, (and we cannot conceive the motive which prompts the misstatement), that "Mr. Kelley is a partner of B. F. Stringfellow, and an associate editor of the Squatter Sovereign." We have frequently denied that Gen. B. F. Stringfellow was in any manner connected with this journal, and the editor of the Herald, mean and dirty dog as he is, well knew that he was perpetrating a falsehood, when penning that sentence. It is true as stated in the article above, that papers were returned from the post office at this place. But it is a LIE that they were addressed to a subscriber in Atchison. The papers were received in one package, bearing the inscription of "Atchison, Kansas Territory." On opening the bundle, as was our duty, we found one paper only, marked, which we distributed in the proper place. The remainder of the package was intended for distribution, and we were not inclined to be made the distributing agent for abolition productions, and so expressed ourself in the above letter to the editor of the Herald. It is very strange that your subscriber at this place does not have the faintest recollection of ordering the six extra copies! How do you account for that Mr. Brown? You cannot but admit that you lied in the article above, and for so doing if you should ever visit our city, we will pay you our compliments with the heel of our boot.

In regard to our removal as Postmaster, as is threatened in the Herald, we will make Mr. Brown easy on that subject, by stating that at least two weeks before his papers were returned from this office, our

resignation as Postmaster of Atchison was sent to Washington. We have been trying to get rid of the office for some time, and if he can assist us any way, we will acknowledge the favor. We hope the documents will be forwarded by the first mail.

New York, 1855.

To the Editor of the Squatter Sovereign:—

Sir—Having seen an extract, I believe from your paper, in the Tribune, wherein you remark that the eastern people would soon begin to think that you were cowards and afraid of them, by not taking more stringent measures for the expulsion of the fanatical heretics of Kansas Territory.—But, sir, they have not only begun, but actually think so already; and begin to crow, as they term it, and make their brags that they are coming to over the Missourians, and will have things their own way, and that Kansas shall be a free state. And I, who have watched with anxiety your proceedings, almost begin to think the same; and fairly blush when I hear mentioned the name of a people whom I had always thought the chivalry of the land; yes it makes my ears tingle and my heart beat with shame to think that such a swarn of lousy, lazy, stinking, poor, miserable, pusillanimous, contemptible, God-forsaken, man-despised, devil-rejected, fanatics, who were taken from the poor-houses and jails of Yankee land and transported to Kansas by a company of speculators to further their own interests; it makes my heart beat with shame, I say, to think that such a clan of cowardly originals, (by a mistake of the Lord) in human shape, and with the power of speech, should, in the fair land of Kansas and contiguous to the chivalrous Missourians, dictate and propagate their opinions, and try to enforce their fanatical ideas, as they have the impudence to say, for the benefit of the country. But God forgive them, they know no better.

Missourians, chips of the old block, descendants from the original stock of Virginia and Kentucky, have you forgot the name your forefathers bore and the respect with which your forefathers have heretofore been spoken of? have you sunk so low in oblivion as not to be conscious upon what a thread now hangs the honor of the old Dominion and her descendants? I am not speaking from theory, but from observation. I have roamed over the high, rolling prairies of Missouri, and hunted with the red men of the forest over the now disputed Territories of Kansas and Nebraska; being a Northern man by birth and Southern by principal, I claim the privilege of having a voice with regard to the future destiny of my old hunting grounds.

Pro-Slavery men of Kansas, don't be discouraged if the paupers pour in as thick as the locusts and lice of Egypt; of what account are legions of such a class when brought in contact with a few brave men? Remember Leonidas at the pass of Thermopylae, and Marshal Ney with four hundred men bidding defiance to eighty thousand of the enemy, and the many accounts we have of a handful of brave men being victorious over myriads of their adversaries.

Take a few holidays and enjoy yourselves by hanging the Parkerites and Garrisonians on the limbs of your tall sycamores, and the rest will take the hint, and when sought after will be found to have followed the example of the Frenchman's flea.

Don't think that all in the Free States are woolly heads. Let the time come when their presence will be required, and you will see them pouring in with sword in hand to defend the rights of the South. The great abolition excitement is kept up by a few fanatical leaders, like Parker, Phillips, Beecher, Garrison, Smith, &c., joined by the most despicable part of the population, for their own pecuniary benefit. Dollars and cents will at any time and in any manner turn them as easily as a weather-cock is turned by the gentle breeze. ONE WHO KNOWS.

If you wish to speak the truth and not be believed, tell a mother the faults of her child, or an actor the defects of his performance.

The New York Library association has engaged the services of Mr. Thackeray, for a course of lectures during the coming winter.

Six children at Concor, Washington Co., Pa., were recently poisoned by eating toothpicks for mushrooms. Three of the children died.

Two physicians in Auburn, N. Y. have been held to bail on a charge of violating a young girl while she was under the influence of opiate.

A vote of thanks has been tendered Mlle Rachel, by the Norfolk Relief Committee, for her donation of \$1000.

Two thousand and seven hundred new buildings have been erected, or are in progress of erection, in Chicago during the present season.

The corporation of Winchester, Va., has receded from the prohibitory system, and granted liquor licenses.

Rachel, the great actress, has subscribed \$1,000 for the relief of the Norfolk sufferers.

Potatoes are selling at Syracuse N. Y., for twenty-five cents per bushel—cheap enough.

**Know Nothing Retires from the South. Its Nationality Lost.**

The scattering columns of Know Nothingism, says the Washington Union, like a bruised serpent, trails its deposing length back to the caverns from whence it came. There is no longer a refuge for it in the South. Its only safety is in an immediate departure for the North. There, with its kindred calamities of abolitionism and infidelity, it may be able to hibernate till the spring of 1856, when, with a new name and honest leaders, it may forge for a brief period on the credulous and unsuspecting. There is no more hope for it in the land of Washington, Jefferson, Jackson, Macon and King. The people of the South have received it like an intruder and repelled it like pestilence.

This concludes the boasted Nationality of the Know Nothing party. Its Northern followers have almost unanimously repudiated the Philadelphia platform; and now its southern disciples have not been able to escape a crushing defeat by the aid of that platform. Its only strength is in the strength of its abolitionism. Its only hope is in the success of the foes of the constitution and of the South. It has once more been resolved into its original shape and design, and will henceforward be doomed to the fate its Southern idolaters have so sedulously labored to avoid—that of being a hewer of wood and drawer of water for Greeley, Garrison, Hale, Giddings, Chase and their confederates.

**Important from Europe.**

Arrival of the Canada—Sebastopol taken—30,000 killed on both sides!

HALIFAX, September 27.

Sebastopol has been taken, after three days' bombardment, commencing on the 18th.

SECOND DISPATCH.

The allies were repulsed six times, and lost 20,000 men, the Russians 10,000. The Russians blew up the defenses and fled, fired the city and evacuated it. Five French Generals, including Gen. Basquer, were among the slain.

An unsuccessful attempt was made to assassinate Napoleon.

Passmore Williamson, who our readers will remember was imprisoned for aiding to run off the negroes belonging to Dr. Wheeler, was recently nominated by the Republican party of Pennsylvania to run for Canal Commissioner of that State. Williamson is still in jail.

The San Francisco Herald states that Mr. Silas Borross, an American gentleman, just returned from China, was eye witness to the execution of thirty-five hundred rebels who were taken prisoner in battle near Canton in the month of March last.

A dispatch states that at a party given near Daheville, in Haywood Co., Tenn., a few days ago, forty-five of the guests were poisoned. One man is dead and several other persons are not expected to recover. The poison was contained in some of the ingredients of cake used on the occasion.

The agent of Santa Anna, it is said has called on P. T. Barnum, and offered him two hundred thousand dollars for Iranistan, his residence at Bridgeport, Ct. Mr. Barnum offered to abdicate in favor of his sardine highness for two hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

Senator Toombs (just returned by the Atlantic) fell ill with Lord John Russell when in England, and assured his Lordship that Cuba would be secured to freedom after the next U. S. Election.—His Lordship ventured to intimate that England might object, when the Senator replied, in effect, "England be d—!"

SHAKES.—In excavating a foundation in the bluff, near the river, the workmen, in the space of about ten feet, found seven Rattle-Snakes! Several of them were of large size. We should judge that no less than two hundred of these reptiles have been killed in the town limits during the past summer.

We are informed that the Kickapoo Pioneer is "down on its heavy." The blow, we are happy to state, was not "crushing," and we will be able to issue again, as usual, next Tuesday morning.

Rice harvesting has commenced in South Carolina, and the crop promises a good average.

KATE HAYS.—This distinguished operative singer cleared \$50,000 during her stay in Australia. She is now in Batavia.

It is said that Dr. Holloway pays, annually, for advertising his pills, \$20,000 in Europe.

A Yankee Genius has succeeded in harnessing steam to a musical instrument in such a way as to insure perfect execution.

The wheat harvest in Georgia is unprecedentedly large, and also the corn crop. This is encouraging.

A man named Drake was recently in Albany in a state of drunkenness. He had lost \$20,000 and a farm by gambling.

At Bristol, Pa., on the morning of the 21st ult. Wharton's large stable, with fifteen mules and harness, was consumed by fire.

There is a Grecian Circus now performing at Baltimore.